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President Joseph R. Biden The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden:

Welcome to Missouri. This is reportedly your first visit as president to one of the 25 states that cast its electoral votes for President Trump in 2020. It took almost one year. Welcome to the rest of the country.

In Missouri and around the country, things are worse now than before you took office. Families are spending more for food, gas, and other daily necessities as inflation hits a 30-year high. Goods are not only more expensive, but they are also harder to find due to supply chain shortages. Parents are worried that gifts will not arrive in time for Christmas. These are not "high-class problems" or "treadmill tragedies." These are real problems that affect Missourians. But while Missourians are concerned with finding and affording goods, your administration is focused on transforming our economy with unprecedented spending on socialist priorities. Your policies and your priorities are wrong for Missouri and for America.

Missourians' jobs are now in danger as well because of your policies. Your vaccine mandates are unconstitutional abuses of power that threaten the livelihoods of tens of millions of workers. Just last year, we hailed health care workers as heroes. Now they must decide between a jab and their job. These mandates must be reversed to avoid exacerbating healthcare staffing shortages to the point of collapse, decimating businesses, and causing millions to lose their jobs.

Finally, there is a crisis at the Southern border. Your failure to control the massive influx of migrants—an influx invited by your lax policies—has opened the floodgates to human trafficking and will have lasting effects on Missouri and the rest of the country. Our office has been a leader in combatting human trafficking. Those efforts are now in jeopardy because of your policies. Missourians want and need a secure border.

Missourians love freedom and believe government should be limited. Because your administration appears to respect neither principle, my office has sued your administration a dozen times already. And we are winning. My office took your administration to court and obtained a nationwide permanent injunction to reinstate the Remain in Mexico policy, which both the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court allowed to take effect. My office took your Supreme Court Building

207 W. High Street P.O. Box 899 Jefferson City, MO 65102 Phone: (573) 751-3321 Fax: (573) 751-0774 www.ago.mo.gov administration to court and obtained the nation's first injunction against the vaccine mandate for health care workers, and we are working with other attorneys general to enjoin the other unlawful vaccine mandates.

My job is to defend the freedom of all six million Missourians. I will keep standing up and fighting for them. I urge you to begin following the Constitution and the law. If not, I will see you in court. We are not tired of winning yet.

Very Truly Yours,

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